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Amendment to the Claims:

1-33 (Cancelled)

(Currently Amended) A liquid crystal display device, comprising: 34.

a substrate;

a plurality of gate lines on the substrate;

a plurality of data lines crossing the gate lines on the substrate to define a pixel region, the data lines having at least one bent portion;

a common line substantially parallel to the gate line on the substrate;

a plurality of common electrodes connected to the common line, the common electrodes having at least one bent portion, and having an obtuse angle with the common line;

a plurality of pixel electrodes substantially parallel to the common electrodes, the pixel electrodes having at least one bent portion; and

a switching element electrically connected to the gate and data lines,

wherein liquid crystal molecules in a domain between the common electrodes and pixel electrodes have substantially a same rotational direction.

- 35. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 34, further comprising a connecting line electrically connected to the pixel electrodes.
- 36. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 35, wherein the pixel electrodes form an obtuse angle with the connecting line.
- 37. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 35, wherein the connecting line overlaps a portion of the gate line.
- 38. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 37, wherein the connecting line and the gate line form a storage capacitor.

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39. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 34, wherein one of the common electrodes elongates along the data line and electrically communicates with adjacent pixel regions.

- 40. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 34, wherein the common line crosses one of the bent portions of each common electrode.
- 41. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 40, wherein the common line elongates along the gate line.
- 42. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 34, wherein the switching element is formed at a crossing portion of the gate and the data lines.
- 43. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 34, wherein the switching element includes a gate electrode, a gate insulator, a semiconductor layer, a source electrode, and a drain electrode.
- 44. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 43, wherein one of the pixel electrodes has a bent end portion over the drain electrode.
- 45. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 44, wherein the bent end portion overlaps a portion of the drain electrode and contacts the drain electrode through the drain contact hole.
- 46. (Previously Presented) The device substrate according to claim 34, wherein a plurality of the pixel electrodes and the connecting line are formed of a transparent conductive material.
- 47. (Previously Presented) The device substrate according to claim 35, wherein a plurality of the pixel electrodes and the connecting line are formed of an opaque metallic material.
- 48. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 34, wherein a plurality of the common electrodes and the common line are formed of a transparent conductive material.
- 49. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 34, wherein a plurality of the common electrodes and the common line are formed of an opaque metallic material.
- 50. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 34, wherein the common line is connected with other common lines in adjacent pixel regions.

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51. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 34, wherein the common electrodes have an angle between about 90° and about 180° with the common line.

- 52. (Previously Presented) The device according to claim 36, wherein the pixel electrodes have an angle between about 90° and about 180° with the connecting line.
- 53. (Currently Amended) A method for fabricating a liquid crystal display device, comprising:

forming a plurality of gate lines on a substrate;

forming a plurality of data lines crossing the gate lines on the substrate to define a pixel region, the data lines having at least one bent portions;

forming a common line substantially parallel to the gate lines on the substrate;

forming a plurality of common electrodes connected to the common line, the common electrodes having at least one bent portion, and having an obtuse angle with the common line;

forming a plurality of pixel electrodes substantially parallel to the common electrodes, the pixel electrodes having at least one bent portion; [[and]]

forming a switching element electrically connected to the gate and data lines; and

providing liquid crystal molecules in a domain between the common and pixel electrodes, wherein the liquid crystal molecules in the domain have substantially a same rotational direction.

- 54. (Currently Amended) The [[device]] method according to claim 53, further comprising forming a connecting line electrically connected to the pixel electrodes.
- 55. (Currently Amended) The [[device]] method according to claim 54, wherein the pixel electrodes form an obtuse angle with the connecting line.
- 56. (Currently Amended) The [[device]] method according to claim 54, wherein the connecting line overlaps a portion of the gate line.

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57. (Currently Amended) The [[device]] <u>method</u> according to claim 56, wherein the connecting line and the gate line form a storage capacitor.

- 58. (Currently Amended) The [[device]] method according to claim 53, wherein the common electrodes have an angle between about 90° and about 180° with the common line.
- 59. (Currently Amended) The [[device]] method according to claim 55, wherein the pixel electrodes have an angle between about 90° and about 180° with the connecting line.